

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph.

[0001] This application is related to the following co-pending, commonly-assigned and concurrently filed U.S. Patent Applications, the entirety of each of which are herein incorporated by reference for all purposes: Provisional U.S. Patent Application No. 60/554,511 ~~—/—,—~~, entitled “PROPERTY RECORDS DATABASES AND SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR BUILDING AND MAINTAINING THEM” (~~Attorney Docket No. 040143-000100~~); U.S. Patent Application No. 10/804,472 ~~—/—,—~~, entitled “AUTOMATED RECORD SEARCHING AND OUTPUT GENERATION RELATED THERETO” (~~Attorney Docket No. 040143-000200~~); U.S. Patent Application No. 10/804,468 ~~—/—,—~~, entitled “DOCUMENT SEARCH METHODS AND SYSTEMS” (~~Attorney Docket No. 040143-000300~~); Provisional U.S. Patent Application No. 60/554,514 ~~—/—,—~~, entitled “CONFIDENCE-BASED NATURAL LANGUAGE PARSING” (~~Attorney Docket No. 040143-000500~~); and Provisional U.S. Patent Application No. 60/554,513 ~~—/—,—~~, entitled “CONTEXTUAL CONVERSION OF LANGUAGE TO DATA” (~~Attorney Docket No. 040143-000600~~).

Please replace paragraph [0024] with the following amended paragraph.

[0024] FIG. 1 illustrates an exemplary method for organizing and displaying documents for a title examination. A plurality of records is received 102. Each record has a plurality of attributes associated with a document recorded with a government entity. By way of example, the attributes may include a document date, a recordation date, a reception number or other type of government identifier, a document type, a document category, one or more names (such as grantor, grantee, etc.), and one or more location attributes indicating a location of a property associated with the document. In one embodiment, the records may be received from search logic which retrieves records associated with related documents which may be used for a title examination. The search logic may retrieve records from a data set as described in previously incorporated Application No. 10/804,468 ~~—/—,—~~ (~~Atty. Docket No. 040143-000300US~~).

Please replace paragraph [0039] with the following amended paragraph.

[0039] FIG. 3 illustrates an exemplary method that may be used to define 220 sentinel links. In some embodiments, as more fully described in previously incorporated Application No. 10/804,468 ~~(Atty. Docket No. 040143-000300US)~~, the records may have been received from search logic using an initial one of the records as a starting point for the search. In these embodiments, a sentinel link may be created 302 from the initial record to a starting search indicator.

Please replace paragraph [0061] with the following amended paragraph.

[0061] If a record is associated with a document which was found only by a seller name search, format 824 may be used. Similarly, format 828 may be used to indicate records associated with documents which were found only by a buyer name search. These records may be associated with a name sentinel link 320. As described more fully in previously incorporated Application No. 10/804,468 ~~(Atty. Docket No. 040143-000300US)~~, the type of search which was used to return the document may be stored as part of the search. For records associated with documents which were found by a non-name search (e.g., a location search), format 826 may be used.

Please replace paragraph [0065] with the following amended paragraph.

[0065] In some embodiments, logic 900 may additionally be used to search a data set 910 containing one or more records 912, 914, 916 associated with recorded documents. The search may be performed as described in previously incorporated Application No. 10/804,468 ~~(Atty. Docket No. 040143-000300US)~~. Thus, a data set 910 may optionally be communicatively coupled to logic 900. The records retrieved by the search may be organized and displayed in any of the mechanisms previously described. In alternate embodiments, logic 900 may be communicatively coupled to separate logic (not illustrated) which searches data set 910.

Please replace paragraph [0066] with the following amended paragraph.

[0066] Data set 900 may be any type of data set having attribute values. In one embodiment, data set 110 may be embodied in a relational database with a plurality of tables. The tables may include normalized document meta-data (e.g., recordation date, government identifier, document date, document type), normalized location data (e.g., subdivision identification, block, lot, tract), normalized name data for names referred to by documents and the role associated with the name for the document (e.g., seller, buyer, lien holder, etc.), normalized address data, normalized parcel identification data, and/or normalized document reference data linking two documents. It should be appreciated that data set 110 may include additional information related to documents recorded with government entities as described more fully in Application No. 10/804,472 _____ (~~Atty. docket No. 040143-000200US~~), previously incorporated by reference. In alternate embodiments, data set 900 may be embodied in a spreadsheet, one or more text documents, program code lists, or other format for storing data on recorded documents.